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	LANDER (13-6, 7-3 PBC)	12	18	19	28	77
	ARMSTRONG STATE (11-8, 3-7 PBC)	20	18	14	17	69



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SAVANNAH, Ga. - The Lander University women's basketball team used a 15-0 run over the last two and a half minutes to pull away from Armstrong State in a 77-69 Peach Belt Conference basketball victory on Military Appreciation Day Saturday at Alumni Arena.

The Pirates fell to 11-8 overall and 3-7 in the PBC with the loss, while

GAME LEADERS
LANDER
Pts: Sannayyiah Johnson - 23
Reb: 2 Players (#01, #10) - 8
Ast: Ty'Hesha Reynolds - 5
ARMSTRONG STATE

Lander improved to 13-6 overall and 7-3 in the Peach Belt with the win. Armstrong State is next in action on Wednesday, January 27th, visiting USC Aiken for a 5:30 p.m. Peach Belt contest in Aiken, S.C.

Armstrong State opened up the contest on a 10-0 run and stayed in front throughout the entire first half, heading into the break with a 38-30 lead. Lander cut the gap to just three, 52-49, at the end of the third quarter and finally took its first lead of the game on a Ty'Hesha Reynolds layup with 5:52 left in the fourth quarter, putting the Bearcats ahead, 59-57.

The Pirates came back to retake the lead on a **Machala Raymonville** layup with 4:10 left that made the score 64-62 and Armstrong State led by five, 67-62, with 2:35 left after a layup by **Brigitta Barta**.

After that point, Lander embarked on its 15-0 run, getting a layup by Reynolds and a three-pointer by Ashleigh Zandi to tie the game at 57-all, then hitting eight of 10 free throws in the final 61 seconds to secure the win. Armstrong State went 0-for-6 from the floor in that stretch until **Deundria Clark**'s layup at the buzzer provided the final 77-69 margin.

Raymonville led the Pirates on the day with 15 points and seven rebounds, while senior **Alexia Somerset** added 13 points and Barta finished with 11.

Lander was led by Sannayyah Johnson's 23 points on 6-of-12 shooting from the floor, including 4-of-8 from three-point range, and 7-of-11 shooting from the free throw line. Breshay Johnson, Zandi and Bre Crum each chipped in 12 points apiece.

The Pirates hit 25-of-59 shots from the floor (42.4 percent) but hit just 3-of-18 three-pointers (16.7 percent) and hit 16-of-24 free throws (66.7 percent). Lander shot just 37.9 percent from the floor (25-of-66) but knocked down nine of 22 three-pointers (40.9 percent) and made 18-of-23 free throws (78.3 percent). The Bearcats also outrebounded the Pirates by a 46-39 margin, including a 19-13 edge on the offensive glass.



Pts: Machala Raymonville - 15
Reb: Machala Raymonville - 7
Ast: Shermika Harris - 5

TEAM STATS		
LANDER		ARMSTRONG STATE
(25-66)	Field Goals	(25-59)
37.9%	Field Goal %	42.4%
46	Rebounds	39
13	Assists	14
21	Turnovers	23
23	Pts off Turnovers	17
17	2nd Chance Pts	10
26	Pts in the Paint	22
4	Fastbreak Pts	10
28	Bench Pts	16

FULL STATS



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